

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION  
415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100, Redding, CA 96002

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
concerning

**TENTATIVE RESCISSION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS  
ORDER NO. R5-2005-0012  
NPDES NO. CA0081493  
FOR  
INDIAN VALLEY HEALTH CARE DISTRICT  
GEOTHERMAL SPACE HEATING SYSTEM  
PLUMAS COUNTY**

The Indian Valley Health Care District (Discharger) owns and operates a geothermal heating system well at the Indian Valley Hospital (Facility), which produces up to 80 gallons per minute (gpm) of waste water. The Facility discharges waste water to Wolf Creek, a water of the United States. Wolf Creek, in succeeding order, is tributary to Indian Creek, and the North Fork Feather River.

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) will consider rescission of the existing Waste Discharge Requirements Order (No. R5-2005-00012) as the Facility and the geothermal well have been decommissioned.

On 27 January 2005, the Regional Water Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Order No. R5-2005-0012, to regulate the discharge from a geothermal heating system which operated at the facility, discharging waste water to Wolf Creek. Based on a request, dated 10 December 2009, received from the Discharger and notification that the Facility in no longer in operation, the WDR Order is no longer required.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Regional Water Board meeting that is scheduled for:

DATE: **16/17/18 March 2010**  
TIME: 8:30 a.m.  
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
11020 Sun Center Drive #200  
Rancho Cordova, CA

The designated parties for this hearing is as follows:

- Indian Valley Health Care District Representatives
- Staff of the Regional Water Board

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as

a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Board no later than **noon on 31 January 2010**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Regional Board no later than **noon on 31 January 2010**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **noon on 31 January 2010** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Regional Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions on the Indian Valley Health Care District's facility should contact **Ron S. Falkowski by telephone at (530) 224-3227**. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Regional Board's Internet website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_decisions/tentative\\_orders/index.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/index.shtml)

The proposed item and related documents may also be inspected and copied at the Regional Board's office at 415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100, Redding, CA 96002-0129 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. You may contact **Ron S. Falkowski at (530) 224-3227** to arrange to review the files.

The procedures governing Regional Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Regional Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws\\_regulations/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/).

Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Regional Board's website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml) or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

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